

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to pending before a local, state or federal government body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, existing law sets the policy that affords all persons in public schools equal rights and opportunities in the educational institutions of the state, and further prohibits, as well as provides remedies for, acts that are contrary to the policy; and

WHEREAS, the bill AB 30 (Alejo) would establish, under the state Education Code, the California Racial Mascots Act, which would prohibit public schools from using the term Redskins as a school or athletic team name, mascot, or nickname beginning January 1, 2017; and

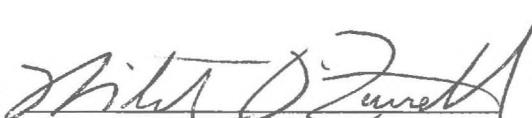
WHEREAS, the AB 30 (Alejo) declares that the use of racially derogatory school athletic team names and mascots goes against the State's mission of providing equal education; and singling out the Native American community for derision is discriminatory and psychologically harmful; and

WHEREAS, AB 30 (Alejo) declares that all public schools are prohibited from using the term Redskins for school or athletic team names, mascots, or nicknames beginning January 1, 2017, with the stated exceptions; and

WHEREAS, the prohibition of the use of the term "Redskins" for school or athletic team names, mascots and nicknames by AB 30 (Alejo) is not subject to waiver by the state Board of Education; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2015-2016 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 30 (Alejo) to establish the California Racial Mascots Act.

PRESENTED BY:



MITCH O'FARRELL  
Councilmember 13th District

SECONDED BY:



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